

Statement under 37 CFR 1.111

37 CFR 1.111 requires that the basis for amendments to the claims be pointed out after consideration of the references cited or the objections made. 37 CFR 1.111 states in part that:

In amending in response to a rejection of claims in an application or patent undergoing reexamination, the applicant or patent owner must clearly point out the patentable novelty which he or she thinks the claims present in view of the state of the art disclosed by the references cited or the objections made. He or she must also show how the amendments avoid such references or objections.

The Assignee notes that this requirement is not relevant to the instant application because there are no references or objections to avoid. Having said that, the Assignee notes that the primary reasons the prior set of claims were amended was to put the application in form for allowance and issue.

Conclusion

The Assignee respectfully requests consideration of the present application as amended herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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